GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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DAMAGE TO RURAL INFRASTRUCTURE
ALE NARENDRA

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to have on the spot assessments of destruction/damages caused to rural infrastructure by natural calamities;

(b) whether the Government have taken any steps to provide basic facilities to the victims in rural areas in country;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government have decided to finalise certain plans with the help of CAPART in this regard;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the manner in which the Government propose to assist the affected States in the restoration of rural infrastructure?

Answer

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SHANTA KUMAR)

(a) to (f) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in the answer to Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 300 for reply on 10.12.2002.

The responsibility for providing basic facilities to the victims of natural calamities primarily rests with the State Governments. The memoranda submitted by the States to the Centre in the event of calamities include their assessment of damage to rural infrastructure. Central Teams constituted thereafter for the purpose of on-the-spot study include this in their report.

2. The Ministry of Rural Development provides assistance to the victims of natural calamities as under:-

(i) Under the Indira Awaas Yojana for persons below poverty line, Central Assistance is released for construction of houses affected by floods, cyclones, earthquakes, etc. The year-wise and State-wise details of Central Assistance released under the IAY during 1999-2000 till date is given in the attached Statement at Annexure-I.

(ii) A special component has been introduced under the Sampoorna Gramin Rozgar Yojana with effect from 1.4.2002 for augmenting food security through additional wage employment in calamity-affected rural areas after due notification by the State Governments concerned. During the current financial year (2002-2003), 38.29 lakh metric tonnes of foodgrains have been allocated to the States affected by natural calamities. The State-wise details of foodgrains demanded and released under the scheme are given in the attached Statement at Annexure II. The foodgrains released under the earlier Food for Work Programme during the years 2000-01 and 2001-02 is added at annexure-III.

(iii) The Ministry of Rural Development has earmarked five percent of the total allocated funds to meet exigencies arising from natural calamities and other emergent situations under the Sampoorna Grameen Rozgar Yojana (SGRY), the Indira Awas Yojana (IAY) and the Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme (ARWSP). The State-wise details of the funds released under the ARWSP are given as under:

Name of the States	Funds Released (Rs. In lakhs)
Karnataka	157.68
Madhya Pradesh	367.08
Orissa	311.25
Himachal Pradesh	590.00

3. Council for Advancement of People`s Action and Rural Technology (CAPART) has beeninvolved in providing assistance to people affected by natural calamities, through Voluntary Organisations. The CAPART have provided assistance in the earthquake affected areas of Uttaranchal and Gujarat, super-cyclone affected areas in Orissa and drought-affected areas of Rajasthan, Gujarat,Madhya Pradesh and Andhra Pradesh. The CAPART works in a project mode and the affected Statesare assisted for restoration of rural infrastructure based on receipt of viable proposals from Voluntary Organisations.

Annexure-I

Year-wise and State-wise Statement of Central Assistance released under Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY)to States/UTs during 1999-2000 - till date.

(Rupees in Lakhs)

Year	Name of State	Emergent Situation	Additional Central Assistance	Number of Houses sanctioned
1999-2000	Orissa	Super Cyclone	4125.00	50,000
				1,50,000
2000-2001 @	Orissa	Super Cyclone	28875.27	
2000-2001	Uttaranchal	Earthquake	108.34	657
2000-2001	Gujarat	Earthquake	4900.00	1,00,000
2001-2002	Gujarat	Earthquake	2600.00	
2001-2002	Orissa	Floods	8250.00	1,00,000
2002-2003	Orissa	Floods	3104.00	
2001-2002	Orissa	Super Cyclone	33,000.00	4,00,000
2002-2003	Orissa	Super Cyclone	16500.00	
2001-2002	Andhra Pr	Heavy rain/Cyclone	3750.00	25,000
2001-2002	J & KashmirC	ross Border firing	330.00	2,000
2001-2002	Himachal Pr	Floods	412.50	5,000
2002-2003	Uttaranchal	Landslides	412.50	5,000

@ The Central Assistance for Orissa also includes Normal Central Release of Rs. 4998.25 lakh during 2000-2001.

Annexure-II

State-wise details of foodgrains demanded and allocated under SGRY Scheme as special component

(In lakhs of metric tones)

S.No	Name of State	Quantity Demanded Rice/Wheat together	Quantity released during the current year drought (up to November 2002) Wheat	Rice	Total
1.	Andhra Pradesh	25.00	0	18.00	18.00
2.	Chhattisgarh	12.60	0	1.43	1.43

3. Haryana 9.72 0.25 0 0.25

4. Himachal Pradesh 0.19 0.04 0.06 0.10

5. Jharkhand - 0.20 0.20 0.40
6. Karnataka 11.09 0 2.00 2.00

7 Kerala @ 0.25 0 0.25 0.25

8. Madhya Pradesh 2.50 1.63 0.48 2.11

9. Orissa 12.19 0 4.00 4.00
10. Rajasthan @@ 56.00 7.00 0 7.00
11. Tamil Nadu 5.46 0 0.50 0.50
12. Uttar Pradesh 20.00 2.00 0 2.00
13. Uttaranchal - 0.19 0.31 0.50

@ 0.25 lakh tones of Rice were released to Kerala under normal SGRY Scheme.
@@ 56.00 lakh tones of Wheat was demanded by Government of Rajasthan upto July 2003.

Annexure-III

Annexure to the Lok Sabha Starred Question No.300 due for reply on 10.12.2002

(In Tonnes)

FOOD FOR WORK PROGRAMME

State	2000-01				2001-02			
	Food-grain	Food-grain	Food-grain	Lakh Mandays @	Food-grain	Food-grain	Food-grain	Lakh Mandays @
Andhra Pradesh					1650000	1650000	1650000	1982.48
Bihar					100000	2023	N.R	NR
Chhatisgarh	207000	207000	207000	300.26	419007	419007	419007	572.12
Gujarat	90000	90000	90000	1196.68	58105	46336	29220	388.52
Haryana								
Himachal Pr	11549	11549	11549	16.94				
Jharkhand								
Karnatka					100000	100000	100000	NR
Kerala			5000		5000	5000	NR	
Madhya Pradesh	63079	63079	63079	NR	188665	148033	113012	NR
Maharashtra	10000	10000	10000	26.00	140000	134970	52895	137.51
Orissa	100000	100000	100000	180.45	150000	146643	146270	301.22
Rajasthan	118145	118145	118145	NR	621360	475217	364835	810.16
Tamil Nadu								
Uttar Pradesh								
Uttaranchal								
Total	599773	599773	599773	1720.33	3432137	3127229	2880239	4192.01

@ The figures are provisional